

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. In 2002, the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act was passed to help states and communities around the country cleanup and revitalize brownfields sites. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Cleanup Grants

\$350,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected the City of Knoxville for two brownfields cleanup grants. Hazardous substances grant funds will be used to clean up the former McClung Warehouses property on West Jackson Avenue. The five-acre site formerly housed warehouses, a blacksmith shed, and railroad freight storage. It is contaminated with toxic metals, chemicals, and inorganic contaminants. Hazardous substances grant funds also will be used to clean up the former Sanitary Laundry and Dry Cleaning property at 625 North Broadway. The site operated as a laundry and dry cleaning facility for nearly 70 years, and is now vacant. It is contaminated with dry cleaning compounds, solvents, and metals. Grant funds at both sites also will be used to conduct community outreach activities.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields Web site (http://www.epa.gov/brownfields).

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